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Dear Sir:

On the form PTO/SB/08 returned with the Office Action dated June 23, 2009, the Office Action indicated that the following was not considered: Cite No. BE to the Foreign Patent Document JP 2002094419A submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 4, 2006. Applicant respectfully submits that the Information Disclosure Statement was in compliance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and requests reconsideration of the listed document.

We believe this reference was struck out in error. A copy of the cited reference JP 2002094419A was provided to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, along with an English language abstract, and an International Search Report indicating the relevance of the reference with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 4, 2006.

The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of Foreign Patent Reference BE listed on the SB08 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 4, 2006. Copies of the originally filed SB08 and the signed copy of the SB08 from the

Examiner are enclosed for your convenience. Copies of document BE, the English language abstract, and the International Search Report are available in the Image File Wrapper in PAIR.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned Representative if necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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